

Docket No.: E0196.0100
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Franz Klug et al.

Application No.: 11/405,500

Confirmation No.: 5340

Correct Filing Date: March 20, 2006

Art Unit: 2626

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PROTECTED
TRANSMISSION OF DATA WORDS

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

PETITION TO CORRECT FILING DATE

Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a corrected filing dated for the above-referenced application. The filing date of this application should be changed from April 18, 2006 to **March 20, 2006**.

This application was filed with the USPTO by Express Mail and met all of the requirements of 37 CFR 1.53 on March 20, 2006. A copy of the postcard¹ stamped by the USPTO with the correct dated of March 20, 2006, along with the Express Mail Receipt (No. EV 989767303), is enclosed. Applicant is therefore entitled to the March 20, 2006 filing date.

¹ This postcard has a PCT Appln. Serial No. 10/572,656 for the reasons explained below.


Applicant believes Applicant understands how this error occurred. Shortly after Applicant filed this application and received a Serial No. 10/572,656, Applicant's representative received a telephone call from Angie Yilmaz of the USPTO PCT Operations Branch informing Applicant's Representative that the application was incorrectly filed as a national stage PCT under 35 USC 371 rather than as an application under 35 USC 111(A). In response, Applicant filed a Petition to Convert a National Application Filed under 35 USC 371 To An Application Filed Under 35 USC 111(A). (A copy of this Petition is enclosed for your reference). This Petition was faxed to Ms. Yilmaz, and was stamped with a USPTO receipt date of April 18, 2006, which happens to be the filing date incorrectly accorded this application. It seems that the filing date of the Petition was incorrectly entered as the filing date of the application. Also, Applicant notes that the Application Serial No. was changed from 10/572,656 to 11/405,500.

In compliance with the USPTO rules, please find enclosed a Petition Fee of \$130.00. Since there is no defect in the application with regard to the requirements for receiving a filing date, Applicant hereby requests a refund of this Petition Fee.

The granting of the Petition is respectfully solicited.

Dated: July 14, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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**PETITION TO CONVERT A NATIONAL APPLICATION FILED UNDER 35 USC
371 TO AN APPLICATION FILED UNDER 35 USC 111(A)**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

The above-identified application was erroneously filed under 37 U.S.C. § 371 but was meant to be filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111(A) claiming priority to a German application. The correct transmittal documents – Utility Patent Application Transmittal - are hereby attached.

It is asserted that the error in transmitting the filing documents occurred without deceptive intent on the part of the attorney or applicants. It is respectfully requested that we retain the originally filed date of March 20, 2006 as filed using Express Mail No. EV 989767303. This U.S. application was filed within 12 months of the priority date (March 18, 2005) of DE 102 005 012 632.4 as indicated on the attached copy of the Express Mail certificate.

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In the event the actual fee is inadvertently not enclosed or if any additional fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge the underpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2215.

Accordingly, grant of the Petition is earnestly solicited.

Dated: April 17, 2006

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Documents Filed:

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Copy of the International application (25 pages) Information Disclosure Statement (5 pages)

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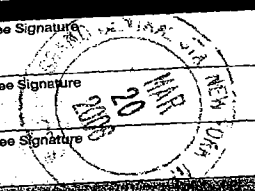
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Information Disclosure Statement

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Application Data Sheet

Credit Card Payment Form charging \$130.00 for
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